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Federal Marshal Penalized For CIA Incident

A sixth deputy U.S. marshal, who walked unsuspectingly into a secret Central Intelligence Agency office with an unauthorized passkey, has been penalized, it was announced Friday.

If the penalty stands, the deputy, Eric Joneson, will lose a federal pay raise in the next two years totaling \$750.

U.S. Marshal Joseph N. Tierney said Joneson has not been suspended, as were five other deputy marshals against whom disciplinary measures were disclosed Thursday.

Joneson's penalty, Tierney said, grew out of an order last February by U.S. District Court Judge Abraham L. Marovitz to locate the source of a disturbing hammering noise in the Federal Building.

Using a passkey obtained from a janitor by another deputy marshal, a surprised Joneton found that the disturbance was caused by CIA agents fix-

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ing up their Midwest office behind an unmarked door on the 26th floor.

The deputy who obtained the key, tHerbert Lowe, who is also accused of falsifying his daily work log, was suspended without pay for 20 days.

The other four deputies, without pay—and the accusations, are Arthur Wilson. 20 days for falsifying the working; Robert Soderstrom. 20 days for negligence in allowing a prisoner to escape from squadrol; Charles Timm. 15 days for failing to return in the required time from a mission to Seattle; and Robert Phillips. 15 days for removing a prisoner's chains.

All six men have 10 days in which to appeal the action, ordered by Tierney on instructions from Chief U.S. Marshal James J. P. McShanc.

Tierney, a Democrat, replied to charges that the penalties were politically motivated by saying that of seven deputy marshals penalized since 1962, two were appointed under a Democratic administration. The charges of politics were made by an aide to Sen. Everett M. Dirksen (R-III.).

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